

Appendix F--Public Scoping Information



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PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

**Louse Canyon Geographic Management Area Assessment, Analysis and Evaluation
Bureau of Land Management, Vale District Office Conference Room**

June 26, 2000 at 7:00 - 9:00 pm (MT)

Jordan Valley, Oregon, Lions Hall

June 27, 2000 at 1:00 - 3:00 pm (MT)

McDermitt, Nevada, Community Hall

June 27, 2000 at 7:00 - 9:00 pm (PT)

Dear Public Land User:

The Jordan Resource Area, of the Vale District, Bureau of Land Management, has scheduled two public scoping meetings to help in the assessment, analysis, and evaluation of the Louse Canyon Geographic Management Area (GMA). The purpose of the meetings is to brief you on the GMA process and to solicit your issues and concerns in the Louse Canyon GMA (see map on back). In addition, we request any resource information you may have that would assist in this effort. This effort may have an affect on the future management of resources and uses in the Louse Canyon GMA. Participation is extremely important to insure you are represented in the process.

Both meetings will have the same agenda, as follows:

- Briefing on the GMA process, including a preliminary discussion of issues, goals and objectives that have been identified.
- Identification of additional issues and concerns regarding the Louse Canyon GMA
- Request for resource information or data that would assist the effort. Examples of valuable information are: water quality data, weed infestations, wildlife sightings, sage grouse leks, new roads and trails, recreation use, archaeological sites, upland or riparian conditions depicted as data or in old photographs, etc.

We hope that you are able to attend one of the three meetings. However, if you are not able to attend and you wish to express your issues, concerns or to share information, please do so by writing to the Vale District Office, attn: Jordan Field Office Manager. If you have any questions please contact me or Tom Miles (team leader) at (541) 473-3144.

Sincerely,
Jerry L. Taylor
Jordan Field Manager

Miles, Tom:mjm:6/12/00:publicscopingmtg

Meeting Notes

Vale

- Flexibility for livestock grazing (turnout to early)
- Livestock grazing needs better management
- Upper West little is grazed at the same hot season every year, need flexibility to determine

Bob Kindschy

- Wants us to use method of companies Color IR photos from past to present (see Bob's handout)
- Wants us to rerun successional theory method to run 8 different sites that he and Crouse did.
- We need to analyze all the existing data
- Method (successional theory)
 1. set up a quadrangle in stream
 2. analyze the good vs. bad in quadrangle
 3. good is willows, herbaceous cover
 4. bad is sage coming in, bare ground
 5. may need to consider contracting
- Concerns over meth labs
- Dump sites or dirty camps
- Riparian potential not being considered in some efforts need to understand the scouring and flushing of Louse Canyon and the potential is not that great.
- Need to re-analyze all our existing information.
- Native American livestock trespass problem

McDermitt

- Predator control - effects on wildlife
- ATV use by hunters in the fall
- By focusing attention on this area, advertising to invite more people to come and cause more problems on private and public lands.